BOROUGH OF ALBURTIS LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

Ordinance No. 589

(Duly Adopted October 30th, 2024)

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING OUTDOOR BURNING IN THE BOROUGH OF ALBURTIS FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE CURRENT DROUGHT EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the Borough has declared an emergency within the Borough in connection with the current drought; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor reasonably believes that outdoor burning should be prohibited for the duration of the drought to help preserve life, health, and property, and desires to include that prohibition in her emergency proclamation; and

WHEREAS, Borough Council agrees that outdoor burning should be so prohibited;

Now, THEREFORE, be it ORDAINED and ENACTED by the Borough Council of the

Borough of Alburtis, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

SECTION 1. Outdoor burning is not permitted in the Borough until the Mayor declares that the current drought emergency has come to an end.

SECTION 2. For purposes of this Ordinance, "open burning" shall mean the burning of any materials wherein products of combustion are emitted directly into the ambient air without passing through a stack or chimney from an enclosed chamber. For the purposes of this definition, a chamber shall be regarded as enclosed when, during the time combustion takes place, only apertures, ducts, stacks, flues, or chimneys necessary to provide combustion air and to permit the escape of exhaust gas are open.

SECTION 3. Any person violating this ordinance shall be guilty of a summary offense and shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) plus costs of prosecution, or, in default thereof, to undergo imprisonment for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance is enacted without compliance with ordinary publication requirements due to the emergency conditions currently present. In addition, by her assent to this Ordinance, the Mayor incorporates the terms of this Ordinance into his proclamation of emergency.

DULY ORDAINED and ENACTED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Alburtis, this 30th day of October, 2024, in lawful session duly assembled.

BOROUGH COUNCIL

BOROUGH OF ALBURTIS

Ron Delaco, President

Attest:

Stephen Nemeth, Manager

AND Now, this 30th day of October, 2024, the above Ordinance is hereby APPROVED.

Kathleen Palmer, Mayor